

MINUTES

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR AIKEN COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 736 RICHLAND AVENUE, AIKEN, S. C.

REGULAR MEETING – APRIL 19, 2005 – 7:00 P.M.

(A) CALL TO ORDER

Determining that a quorum was present, Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 7:17 pm.

Council Member present:

Chairman Ronnie Young
Kathy Rawls
Scott Singer
LaWana McKenzie
Chuck Smith
Eddie Butler
Charles Barton
Gary Bunker
Willar H. Hightower, Jr.

Also present:

J. Clay Killian, County Administrator
Robert M. Bell, County Attorney
Chris Ceasar, Assistant Council Clerk

(B) INVOCATION

Councilman Hightower led in the invocation.

(C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman Bunker led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(D) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. April 5, 2005 Worksession
 2. April 5, 2005 Regular Meeting
- a. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Butler seconded.
 - b. Councilwoman McKenzie abstained.

(E) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilman Butler made a motion to make changes to the agenda:

- a. Delete Consent #4.
- b. Add Consent #7a – resolution to direct the drafting of an ordinance for Council consideration, to be called the Gwen Chavous Law, regulating vicious animals.
- c. Add Consent #7b – resolution to request that the City of Aiken and Aiken County jointly establish an ad hoc committee to study the location for a new road in the Whiskey Road/ Powderhouse Road area.
- d. Add Consent #10 – ordinance to authorize the Council Chairman to execute a quit claim deed to Lilly T Lee for tax parcel 10-053-05-017.
- e. Add Consent #11 – ordinance to authorize the Council Chairman to execute a quit claim deed to Charles J Brown for tax parcel 00-303-01-074.
- f. Councilman Butler made the motion for adoption. Councilwoman McKenzie seconded.
- g. Passed by unanimous vote.

(F) PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Request for Approval of a Proposed Amendment to the Aiken County Official Zoning and Development Atlas to Rezone Tax Parcels 106-12-20-006, -007, and 106-12-19-005 Located at 228 Silver Bluff Road, 232 Silver Bluff Road, and 901 Magnolia Street, Aiken, South Carolina in Council District 7 from OR to UD. (Withdrawn by Applicant on April 6, 2005)
 - a. No comments were made.
2. Request for Approval of a Proposed Amendment to the Aiken County Official Zoning and Development Atlas to Rezone Tax Parcel 005-07-02-003 Located at 181 Hickory Nut Lodge Road, North Augusta, South Carolina in Council District 4 from RC to RM.
 - a. Lots of comments were made against this rezoning.

(G) OLD BUSINESS

1. Proposed Ordinance to Relinquish Any Residual Ownership in the Council on Aging Offices Located on Morgan Street in Aiken.
(Administrative Committee) (Third Reading)
 - a. Councilman Singer made a motion for the approval. Councilwoman McKenzie seconded.
 - b. Passed by unanimous vote.
2. Proposed Ordinance to Approve a Proposed Amendment to the Aiken County Official Zoning and Development Atlas to Rezone Tax Parcels 0012-05-05-003, -004, -005, and -006 Located at 401 Hazel Street, 105 Elizabeth Avenue, 101 Elizabeth Avenue, and 403 Hazel Street, Belvedere, South Carolina in Council District 5 from RC to UD.
(Butler) (Third Reading)
 - a. Councilwoman Rawls made a motion for the approval. Councilman Butler seconded.
 - b. Passed by unanimous vote.

(H) CONSENT AGENDA/INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

I. REGULAR CONSENT AGENDA

1. Proposed Resolution to Appoint One Member to Designated Boards, Commissions and Committees with Terms of the Appointees to Run Concurrent with that of the Councilmember from Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7.
(Rawls, Singer, McKenzie, Smith, Barton, Bunker)
2. Proposed Resolution to Appoint Members to the Animal Control Advisory Committee.
(County Council)
3. Proposed Resolution to Approve the Allocation of Funds for Various Non Profit Agencies from the FY 2005 Council Contingency Fund.
(County Council)
4. Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Council Chairman to Execute a Renewal Agreement with Aqua Koolers for the Provision of Water Filtering and Cooling Systems for County Office Buildings.
(Administrative Committee)
 - a. Deleted

5. Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Council Chairman to Execute an Agreement with ASCAP for a License for County-Sponsored Public Performance.
(Administrative Committee)
6. Proposed Resolution to Authorize the County Administrator to Accept a Grant in the Amount of \$50,982 from the State of South Carolina, Department of Public Safety for a Juvenile Services Investigator.
(Judicial and Public Safety Committee)
7. Proposed Resolution to Authorize Temporary Additions to the County Fleet for the Use by the Aiken County Tax Assessor's Office.
(Development Committee)

II. CONSENT AGENDA/INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

8. Proposed Ordinance to Amend the Aiken County Code of Ordinances to Define Procedures and Policies for the Allocation of Local Accommodations Tax Funds.
(Administrative Committee)
 - a. Councilman Hightower abstained
9. Proposed Ordinance to Amend the 1999 Comprehensive Plan.
(County Council)
 - a. Councilman Butler made a motion for the approval. Councilwoman McKenzie seconded.
 - b. Passed by unanimous vote with Councilman Hightower abstaining on Consent #8.

(I) NEW BUSINESS

1. Request for Approval of a Proposed Amendment to the Aiken County Official Zoning and Development Atlas to Rezone Tax Parcel 005-07-02-003 Located at 181 Hickory Nut Lodge Road, North Augusta, South Carolina in Council District 4 from RC to RM:
 - A. Proposed Ordinance to Approve a Proposed Amendment to the Aiken County Official Zoning and Development Atlas to Rezone Tax Parcel 005-07-02-003 Located at 181 Hickory Nut Lodge Road, North Augusta, South Carolina in Council District 4 from RC to RM.
(Smith) (First Reading)

or
 - B. Proposed Resolution to Disapprove a Proposed Amendment to the Aiken County Official Zoning and Development Atlas to Rezone Tax Parcel 005-07-02-003 Located at 181 Hickory Nut Lodge Road, North Augusta, South Carolina in Council District 4 from RC to RM.
(Smith)
 - a. Councilman Smith made a motion for the approval of item B. Councilman Butler seconded.
 - b. Passed by unanimous vote.

(J) ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND THE PUBLIC RECORD

1. Fiscal Year 2005 Aiken County Contingency Report as of April 6, 2005.

(K) INFORMAL MEETING OF WHOLE

- a. Councilman Singer asked for an update on the LMO from the Planning & Development Department as they were in attendance.
- a. Councilman Smith made a motion to recess for Executive Session. Councilman Butler seconded.
- b. The motion to recess passed by unanimous vote.

RECESSED – 7:47 PM

(L) EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Legal Matters:
 - a. Status Report on Pending Litigation, Legal Claims and Legal Advice.
(County Attorney) (Verbal)
2. Contractual Matters:
3. Personnel Matters:

RECONVENED – 9:10

- a. Councilman Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Rawls seconded.
- b. The motion to adjourn passed by unanimous vote.

(M) ADJOURNMENT – 9:11 PM

Respectfully submitted,

SIGNED:

Barbara Strait, Office Manager
Administrator's Office

Ronnie Young, Chairman